

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
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 ALAN F. SAVICKI) Group Art Unit: 3677
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 Serial No. 09/979,527) Examiner: Marcus Menezes
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 Filed: November 19, 2001)
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 Title: CLOSURE DEVICE)

Oakland, California 94623
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2006, currently due July 16, 2006, please enter the following amendments.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.